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Rico.

SEVENTEEN FATALITIES OCCUR

With a total of 17 deaths out of 20 cases in three towns since June 15, the island of Porto Rico is facing a serious situation from bubonic plague. Unable to cope with the crisis, the insular government has appealed to the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service of the United States, and that department has turned a regular plague-fighting force, comprising nearly 100 men and 4 commissioned officers, into the infected district.

The strictest possible regulations regarding clearance of freight, vessels, and passengers from Porto Rican ports are being enforced in order to prevent the spread of the disease from the island.

Dr. R. Von Ederoff, of the Marine Hospital Service, is now on his way to Cuba and is expected to arrive there today or tomorrow. He will assume charge of the supervision of all out-going traffic, and will co-operate with the Cuban health service in so far as his advice is requested. Over all out-going shipping, however, he will exercise a most rigorous control, and will take such measures as to insure the protection of all ports of the United States.

Cubans Work Alone

To the Cuban department of health and sanitation will be left the task of preventing the spread of the bubonic plague infection in the city of Havana and beyond. This department of the Cuban government is regarded here as highly efficient and in a position to cope with the plague situation effectively. In the department are many medical and health officials, and up to the organization developed by United States officials in the cleaning up of Havana during the American intervention.

No fear is felt for the personnel of the warships now coming north from Cuba, because of the elaborate precautions taken on board the naval vessels and the superior health conditions prevailing upon them.

A workman was stricken with what appeared to be the dread plague in Puerto de Tierra about June 15. A bacteriological examination confirmed the first diagnosis and the sanitary authorities immediately called in Past Assistant Surgeon S. R. Grubbs, of the Public Health Service. Dr. Grubbs, after taking such preliminary measures as he could, asked for help from the department and Past Assistant Surgeon R. H. Croel was sent to the island from Providence, R. I. With Dr. Croel went Assistant Surgeons C. Williams and Joseph Ridgion, who will have charge of the bacteriological laboratories.

Four Infected Centers

So far the disease has appeared in four towns—San Juan, Santurce, Carolina, and Arroyo. Of these four towns about seventy men under the direction of officers of the department have been put to work. Part of the men are working for the extermination of the plague-carrying rats; others are educating the people as to the best means of preventing infection. The deaths so far have been distributed as follows: Twenty-one cases and thirteen deaths in San Juan, five cases and two deaths in Santurce, two cases and two deaths in Carolina, and Arroyo there was a death from plague on a sloop which had made San Juan its last port of call. Indications are that cases appeared in San Juan as early as June 1, but were not reported to the sanitary office.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

E. R. Dept. of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C., July 7, 1912, p. m.

High temperatures continued east of the Rocky Mountains, although thunderstorms showed tendency to decrease in intensity. In the West, the temperatures were generally below normal. In the South, the temperatures were generally above normal. In the North, the temperatures were generally below normal.

As low pressure continues in the Northwest and the extreme Central West there is no reason to expect any more rain. In the Southwest, the temperatures are generally above normal. In the South, the temperatures are generally above normal. In the North, the temperatures are generally below normal.

The winds along the New England coast will be moderate south and southeast, with the middle and lower portions of the atmosphere generally light to moderate. In the South, the winds will be moderate south and southeast, with the middle and lower portions of the atmosphere generally light to moderate. In the West, the winds will be moderate south and southeast, with the middle and lower portions of the atmosphere generally light to moderate.

Local Temperatures.

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